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qualitative cohort study (n=22),

participants provided this data at the time of their first interview due to their enrolment in the study later than other participants. Interviews were conducted with gay and bisexual men (n=26) between June and November 2021

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*to be vaccinated against to be a near impossible reality.* (Elmer, 54, HIV negative, 50 doses, NSW)

This distrust was also expressed through a lens of cultural experience with vaccination and pharmaceutical companies.

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are immigrants or who come from a different cultural background.*

location was irrelevant, or the location happened to be convenient and for others the location was difficult to locate. Access to appropriate transport or living in an area with many services, would contribute to how participants view the location, and subsequently the accessibility, of vaccination services.

*I walked to the vaccination centre and I was home by quarter past 4* (Kian, 25, HIV negative, two doses, Victoria)

*I needed to go to get a vaccination* (Edwin, 38, HIV negative, one dose, Victoria)

*I had trouble finding it, I had a lot of trouble finding it.* (Brandon, 58, HIV positive, one dose, SA)

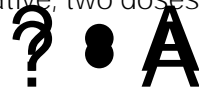
Participants that had their vaccinations through state run mass vaccination centres had positive experiences. They commented on the efficiency of the process and the detailed information they received about it.

*I just did a walk-in, literally walked in, no queue, 5 minutes from the time I stand in to the time I was sitting down waiting for the jab, superfast, super-efficient.*

*They were really efficient.*

*and I think had younger people  
been eligible sooner, we would have higher vaccination rates*

(Joseph, 26, HIV negative, two doses, NSW)





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